

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PK, US, MASS  
SUBJECT: PAK ARMY DECISION NOT TO PURCHASE COMMUNICATIONS  
EQUIPMENT

1. IN EARLY MARCH, GOP NOTIFIED US THAT IT WILL BE UNABLE TO  
PURHCASE \$53.3 MILLION WORTH OF COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT FOR  
WHICH WE HAD GIVEN PAK ARMY AN LOA. OUR OFFICE OF DEFENSE  
REPRESENTATIVE (ODRP) HAS NOTIFIED APPROPRIATE DOD OFFICES AND  
MILITARY COMMANDS OF PAK DECISION.

2. PAK ARMY SOURCES HAVE REPEATEDLY ASSURED ODRP THAT THERE WAS  
NO POLITICAL MOTIVATION FOR THE CANCELLATION; RATHER THE DECISION  
WAS BASED ON A LACK OF FINANCING FOR THE PURCHASE. PAK ARMY FACES  
BUDGET CUTS WERE MANDATED BY MARTIAL LAW ADMINISTRATION, AND  
AVAILABLE FUNDS MUST BE USED FOR HIGHER PRIORITY ITEMS.

3. WE APPRECIATE EFFORTS OF DEPARTMENT TO MOVE THE LOA FORWARD  
WHEN IT BOGGED DOWN LAST FALL. IT IS OBVIOUS THAT PAK ARMY  
REGRETS IT CANNOT NOW GO AHEAD WITH THE PURCHASE, BUT THE FISCAL  
CRUNCH IS VERY REAL, AND WE ACCEPT AND CAN UNDERSTAND REASON FOR  
THEIR DECLINING TO ACCEPT LOA.

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